

The 3rd Annual Conference of the Asian Association for Language Assessment (AALA 2016)

Call for Papers (updated Jan 7, 2015)

Conference Dates: May 19-21, 2016

Pre-Conference Workshop: May 19

Conference Reception: May 19 evening

Conference: May 20-21

Location: Sanur, Bali, Indonesia

Host: Faculty of Letters and Culture, Udayana University

Co-Chairs: Antony John Kunnan and David D. Qian

Local Chair: Ni Luh Nyoman Seri Malini

Theme: *Meeting New Challenges in Language Assessment: A Tribute to Alan Davies*

Plenary Speakers: Constant Leung (King's College London)
David D. Qian (Hong Kong Polytechnic University)
Luke Harding (University of Lancaster)
Yasuyo Sawaki (Waseda University)

Important Dates:

Abstract Submission Deadline: January 20, 2016

Decisions: February 15, 2016

General inquiries: aalaconf@outlook.com

Abstract Submission

We are interested in papers on the following sub-themes:

1. assessment practices (such as learning-oriented assessment and technology-assisted assessment),
2. qualities of assessments and assessment practices (such as validation, consistency, fairness, consequences, etc.), and
3. new concerns (such as issues arising from computer-based assessments, computer-adaptive assessments, automated feedback and automated scoring)

Abstracts (300-400 words) are invited in the following *three* categories:

Papers (30 minutes duration): conceptual or empirical research

Posters (from independent researchers, students, faculty) about new tests, developments, procedures, or ideas

Posters (from professional assessment agencies – universities, non-profit or commercial organizations) about new tests, developments, procedures or ideas

Use the following template for preparing your abstract

Title: Place the Title of Your Proposal Here

Author Name*

Author Affiliation

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Insert the text of your abstract here. The length of the abstract should be between 300-400 words in MS Word format (doc or docx), not including references, which is optional. Do not submit PDF files as we will conduct blind reviews. All abstracts should be in English.

Keywords: List 3-5 keywords, separated by commas.

References

* For multiple authors, underline the corresponding author.

Complete the following information for your submission

A. Your Status

- I am not a student.
- I am a full-time student.
- I am a part-time student.

B. Type of presentation:

- Paper** (30 minutes duration): conceptual or empirical research
- Poster** (from independent researchers, students, faculty members)
- Poster** (from professional assessment agencies)

C. Your subtheme:

- assessment practices (e.g. learning-oriented assessment and technology-assisted assessment),
- qualities of assessments and assessment practices (e.g. validation, consistency, fairness, consequences, etc.)
- new concerns (e.g. issues arising from computer-based assessments, computer-adaptive assessments, automated feedback, automated scoring etc.)

Submit your abstract to: aalaconf@outlook.com (with Subject Line: Abstract_Your_Name)

The abstract submission form can also be downloaded from <http://www.aalawebiste.com>

Please visit our website <http://www.aalawebiste.com> for updated information on this conference.

Information on AALA Student Awards

AALA will be giving out two student awards with effect from the 3rd AALA Conference. The AALA Best Student Paper Award and AALA Best Student Poster Award are merit-based awards that support the attendance of two graduate students at an AALA annual conference.

All single-authored/ individual student submissions will be automatically considered for the awards. To qualify for the student awards, contributors must be graduate students currently enrolled in a university Master's or doctoral program in applied linguistics or a related field. A letter of matriculation/active student status must be shown upon request.

Winners **MUST** present their works at the AALA annual conference to receive the awards. Winners for the Best Student Paper Award and Best Student Poster Award will each receive a certificate and have their registration fee waived.

Proposals for individual papers and posters will be evaluated by a team of reviewers. The reviewers' decision is final. The evaluation criteria are:

- Significance of the research topic/Contribution to the field
- Relevance to conference theme
- Rigor of study (e.g., rationale for the research, contextualization within the literature, design of research question(s), choice and use of methodology, interpretation and conclusion etc.)